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IN THE APPLICATION OF: CONFIRMATION NO. 8944
GOLDSCHNEIDER ET AL CASE NO.: FA0952 USNA
APPLICATION NO.: 09/887,414 GROUP ART UNIT: 3623
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FOR: NETWORK-BASED BUSINESS PROCESS FOR IMPROVING
PERFORMANCE OF BUSINESSES

Preliminary Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 (c)

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Sir:

Introductory Comments

Advisory Action was issued on April 10, 2007 in view of the response after final faxed on March 26, 2007. The following preliminary amendment is submitted in Request for Continuing Examination (RCE) filed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.114. Of claims 1-10, 34-37 and 46-60 pending in this application, claims 11-33 and 38-58 have been withdrawn, claims 1-10, 34-37 and 49 pending in this application were finally rejected. The status of previously added claims 59 and 60 is not known.

Amendment to claims section starts on page 2 of this response.

Remarks section starts on page 8 of this response.